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Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor, and city council members,

I understand that the Cambridge city council is considering passing a resolution that would divest from HP due to its presence in Israel.

Your suggested targeting of the Jewish state, as opposed to the majority of the world's nations that are significantly more complicit in human rights violations, qualifies as anti-Semitic based on the U.S. State Department's, the UK's, the EU's, and Canada's federal definitions of anti-Semitism. Applying one standard to the Jewish state and another to non-Jewish states is anti-Semitic.

If you want to act on behalf of the oppressed people, there are many actions that you can take to target much more egregious offenders. By targeting the Jews, you yourselves become violators of human rights.

Israel only is defending her very small country, a right every sovereign nation should not need to justify.

Thank you.

Andrea Weinberg